GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
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Home Textile
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the difficulties/issues faced by the home textiles segment in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to promote home textile segment in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to include the home textiles segment in the special package for textile sector; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a): The home textile segment consists of made-ups(bed linen, bath linen etc.) which is a value added product under the textile value chain. Some of the difficulties faced by textile industry including home textile segment are (i) lack of skilled manpower, (ii) high cost of power, (iii) high borrowing rates, and (iv) high rates of duties in major overseas markets like EU and USA.

(b): Government provides financial assistance for technology upgradation under Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS), skill upgradation under Integrated Skill Development Scheme (ISDS), export promotion support under Merchandise Export from India Scheme (MEIS), Market Development Assistance (MDA) Scheme, Market Access Initiative (MAI) Scheme and Interest Equalization Scheme.

(c) & (d): Government evaluates the issues of different segments of the textile sector periodically and takes corrective action as deemed appropriate as was done for the garment sector recently.

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